

EXPULSION PREVENTION ANNOUNCEMENT

*Effective August 1, 2020, Expulsion Prevention Services are delivered through an Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES) contractor.



WHAT'S NEW?

DES Expulsion Prevention Services are now offered through AZ STEPS! DES Contracted Child Care Providers can find more information about Expulsion Prevention Services in the DES Provider Registration Agreement and request Suspension and Expulsion Support from a contracted Resource Consultant.



AZ STEPS

Statewide Training & Technical Assistance for Expulsion Prevention



WHY AZ STEPS?

We all have unique personalities and needs. As a child care professional, AZ STEPS can help support your growth and capacity through training and technical assistance focused on understanding children's behaviors and how teaching social emotional skills can help prepare them for social and academic success.



NEED SUPPORT WITH CHALLENGING BEHAVIORS IN THE CLASSROOM?

Please contact AZ STEPS by one of the following options:

- Submit an Expulsion Prevention Support Request through azccrr.com
- Call Arizona Child Care Resource & Referral at 1-800-308-9000, option 2, Monday-Friday 8am-6pm and Saturday 8am-12pm



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Support for DES contracted child care professionals

Meeting the unique needs of every child



FREE TRAINING!

Did you know AZ STEPS offers FREE training to help child care professionals support children's social and emotional growth and development?

Foundational and advanced courses focus on understanding trauma, behaviors and strategies you can implement in the classroom.



FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE!

After participating in AZ STEPS training, you can request onsite technical assistance (TA) to implement the materials and strategies you learned. You will work individually with a TA Provider to set your desired goals and outcomes.



WE ALL PLAY A PART!

By participating in AZ STEPS training and technical assistance, you will build your capacity and tool box to better support the children and families in your care.



QUESTIONS? CONTACT AZ STEPS!

Interested in Training? View AZ STEPS training opportunities on the Arizona Early Childhood Workforce Registry and search "Expulsion Prevention" at azregistry.org.

Interested in TA? Talk with your trainer or please contact AZ STEPS at AZSTEPS@swhd.org for more information.



SMALL STEPS...BIG IMPACT!

By partnering with AZ STEPS, DES-contracted childcare providers receive assistance and resources to:

- Understand and meet the underlying needs that often cause challenging behaviors
- Reduce exclusionary practices and promote social-emotional development
- Prevent expulsions and suspensions

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